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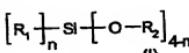
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coatings for protecting surfaces are reinforced and show improved scratch resistance.

(57) **Abstract:** The instant invention discloses a coating composition comprising a) an organic film-forming binder, and b) an inorganic additive of small particle size dispersed in an aqueous or alcoholic solvent prepared by a process which comprises the hydrolysis of a metal alcoholate or a compound of the formula (I) in which R₁ is C₁-C₆alkyl, C₂-C₆cycloalkyl, phenyl or C₁-C₆alkyl substituted phenyl; R₂ is C₁-C₆alkyl, and n is 0, 1, 2 or 3; with a base. These

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